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FORTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Special Session

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ynoids to accept some presents from the Stam. Passed. Stone the Senate, at haif-se, went into executive session. In executive session of three hours the at half-past air p. m., took a recess till ten a. m. on Monday.

nal adjournment of the extra see three o'clock to-day, oduced a bill for relief of the suf-k of the United States stranger

five minutes past three a call of the House ordered. The roll-call developed the presence

Facts About the Loss of the Huron.

Editor National Equations:

An emotional Sunday paper of this city, in an article remarkable slike for malice and ignorance, attempts to throw the responsibility for the loss of the Huron on the "constructors" of that vessel "and those who sutherlass her construction, or awarded the contracts therefor." The facts connected with this sad calamity all go to show that the ship was all that could be desired, both in hulk and machinery; that she was sound, seaworthy, and easily managed; that her splendid engines worked most efficiently to the last.

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Treedmen's Hank Building.

In the House on Saturday Mr. Chalmers introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase the Freedmen's Savings-Bank building, in this city, now occupied in part by the Attourer-General's office, and also to purchase the bank's building in Jacksonville, Fia. The bill was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

How it Looks to Secretary Sheri ence Between Approved Ac Long Bonds. Etito, National Equilican: Your article in Thursday morn

In opposition to the views of the experienced Bitresu and other officers of the Department, whose
knowledge of the law no one can regard as less, a
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quences of the proposed decision has a needed that
of the new Secretary, the decision was announced.
Inside and outside of the Department it was crisileised, ridiculed, denounced, and shown to be unnecessary, Hiogical, and Bilegal. Interested parties
called upon the Secretary and argued and protested, and finally asked that the whole matter be
fairly stated and the opinion of the Attorney-General be requested. Hererow, To this the Secretary
apparently secreted, and the parties fit satisfied to
was segmented, and the parties fit satisfied to
the Attorney-General was not made. Finally
Mr. Sherman, in substance, stated that his knowledge of the law and his opinion was a good as that
of the Attorney-General's opinion.
Thus he adhered, and still atheres, to his decistion, and there are those who do not hesitate to say
opinion of the Attorney-General's population.
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Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity	224,797,050 26
Debt bearing no interest: Old demand and legal-tender notes Certificates of deposit Fractional currency Com certificates	20,055,000 03 18,042,020 22 22,301,400 00
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tional currency Special deposit held for redemption of certificates of deposit, as provided by law	9,806,002 00
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Interest paid by the United States.
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Interest paid by transportation of
mails, &c.
Balance of interest paid by the United
States.
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States. African Survey.

In the Senate on Saturday Mr. Coulding presented the petition of Augustus Waison and William Coppinger, of Washington, praying for an appropriation of \$50,000 to pay for a preliminary survey for the purpose of establishing a trans-continuatal radicol from the Republic of Liberta, eastward into the Niger Valley. The petition was referred to be Committee on Commerce.

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL. LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES.

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and last cause, "Sr, we would accesses,".
The reverent gentleman commenced by saying that the question doubtless had arisen in every mind. How shall I become a Christian, or how shall I know that I am a Christian? How shall these questions be determined so as to satisfy every these questions be determined so as to satisfy every

AFFAIRS IN EUROPE.

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BOME.

THE EASTERN WAR.

The Turks Palling Back.
London, Dec. 2.—Reutur's dispatch fro
ays: "Intelligence has been received here
urks have abandoned Khatmbaul Heigi

RUSSIAN REPULSES CONFIRMED.